WHAT IS iSIS?
iSIS is the name of Tufts’ new Integrated Student Information System. It has been designed to support the needs of Tufts’ students, faculty, and schools. iSIS will completely replace the student records portion of legacy (“old”) SIS, which includes grades, records, transcripts, graduation and advising. iSIS will completely revise how students view their financial account information and it will include technical interfaces to all Tufts admissions systems and financial aid system. iSIS will also interact with a new data warehouse, which will enhance our ability to report university data. More information will soon be published to the SIS Project website, go.tufts.edu/sis.

“COURSE CATALOG”
The SIS Project will oversee its first go-live in August: a system building block called “course catalog”. In this wave of the project, we will migrate and convert course data from the legacy SIS to iSIS. In addition, some student services administrators will receive training on how to manage and modify courses in iSIS. Eventually, data on courses will be tied to another system building block, the “schedule of classes”, which is scheduled to go live in December, in time for faculty to review the fall 2013 course schedule.

TECHNICAL INTERFACES CONNECTING iSIS TO ADMISSIONS
At Tufts, almost all student data originates in admissions. For schools that currently rely on the electronic delivery of student information from admissions systems to SIS, the effort to link admissions systems-to-iSIS will be transparent to admissions staff, and invisible to the general Tufts population. The dental and medical schools, however, are implementing a new, electronic process that eliminates the need for manual data entry. Going forward, all Tufts schools will place student information into iSIS via an electronic feed.

TRAINING
Training fosters practical experience in the skills necessary to use iSIS and is coordinated with local student services staff, at all Tufts schools, on all three campuses. Visit go.tufts.edu/sis for more information.

Over a three year period, from July 2011 through the summer of 2014, the SIS Project will implement the new Integrated Student Information System (iSIS) that has PeopleSoft Campus Solutions as its technology core. For more information about iSIS or the SIS Project, contact the SIS Project at sisproject@tufts.edu or visit go.tufts.edu/sis.